

# SCENE SHOWING PREPARATIONS FOR ENGLISH CORONATION, JUNE 22; ERECTING ADDITION TO WESTMINSTER ABBEY TO BE USED AS DRESSING ROOM FOR KING AND QUEEN



London, June 10.—Final preparations are now under way for the coronation of King George V. and Queen Mary, which occurs June 22. The actual coronation festivities begin June 19, continuing eleven days—to June 30. The photo shown herewith pictures the work on the temporary annex to Westminster now being erected and in which the king and the queen will robe before entering the abbey, June 22. To the left of the abbey appears the steeple of St. Margate's church, adjoining the abbey, and farther to the left looms the clock tower of the house of parliament. White pillars similar to those shown at either side of the photo are being erected along the streets through which the coronation procession will pass.

## RAILWAY FIREMEN WILL NOT STRIKE

Call-Out Was Averted by  
Timely Mediation

## THE TERMS AGREED UPON

Each Side Made Concessions, Influenced by Considerations for the Public Interest and Desire to Continue Mutual Friendly Relations Between the Southern Railway and Its Locomotive Firemen—End of Protracted Struggle for Better Wages.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., June 10.—A general strike of 2,400 Southern Railway firemen was averted today by the success of mediation proceedings which have been in progress for two weeks.

Just before noon today the mediators under the Erdman Act, Judge Martin A. Knapp, of the Commerce court, and Dr. Charles P. Neill, Commissioner of Labor, brought the parties to the controversy to an amicable agreement. The terms of the agreement were reduced to writing and signed by Southern officials and the firemen's committee.

The terms agreed upon were perfectly satisfactory to both sides. A desire to maintain friendly relations between the railway system and the firemen at all times was manifested, and, in the end, concessions were made by each side.

At the conclusion of the conferences the mediators made the following announcement:

"The controversy existing between the Southern Railway Company and

its locomotive firemen and hostlers, which has been in mediation for the past two weeks, has been settled on a basis satisfactory to each side.

Influenced by a desire to maintain friendly relations with each other, and by consideration of the public interests each side made concessions in order to come to a basis of settlement. Neither railway officials nor firemen would make a definite announcement of the terms of the settlement.

The employment of negroes as firemen figured largely in the controversy—quite as largely in fact, as the question of wages.

Apprehension that any brief statement made today might prejudice the employees brought about the agreement that no details of the settlement should be given out here.

The representatives of the firemen left this afternoon for the South, after a conference with General Manager Coapman, at which the working details of the agreement were determined upon. When the members of the committee reach their divisions they will explain to the men the terms of settlement and will probably announce them to the public.

### Settlement Includes Adjustment of Race Issue Also.

(By T. J. PENCE.)

Washington, D. C., June 10.—The differences between the Southern Railway and its 2,400 firemen were today amicably adjusted through the good offices of Judge Martin Knapp and Dr. Charles P. Neill, acting as mediators under the Erdman act. The firemen get an increase of pay of approximately twelve per cent and win a number of their demands with reference to working conditions and rules.

The item of increased pay means an expenditure in the railroad of more than \$200,000 a year, according to its own statement.

Vice-President Teat, representing the firemen, and the other members of the committee said that they were well pleased with the basis of the settlement.

### Pay Effective From June First.

Notwithstanding the reticence of the mediators, the firemen and the railway officials, it may be stated on reliable authority that the twelve per cent increase in pay is effective from June first.

The race question, which was as vexatious as that of pay, was adjusted along satisfactory lines to the firemen. It was agreed that on no division on the Southern system shall there be employed more than thirty per cent

of negroes in the future, and the number now employed shall not be increased on any division.

It is stated that some of the divisions of the system employ sixty and in some instances seventy-five per cent of negroes.

### North Carolina Guardsmen Favor Pepper Bill.

Officers of the State Guard in North Carolina are writing members of Congress urging them to support the Pepper bill, which would give officers and enlisted men of the State militia annual pay amounting to one-fourth of that now drawn by Federal officers and privates. There is some prospect of the passage of the bill to put State Guard troops on the Federal pay roll.

### "UNDER THE SILVERY MOON."

The Young Ladies at Morehead Sail as Guests of the Young Sailors.

Morehead City, June 10.—Under a silvery moon the Morehead City boys gave a delightful sail to the young ladies and gentlemen of the city on Friday night on the big, roomy and graceful "Mamie C. Daniel," under the able management of Capt. Charlie Piner. The following were present: Misses Ovid Webb, Adriana Webb, South Boston, Va., Sadie Hines Newby, Rocky Mount, N. C., Frances Dement, Raleigh, N. C., Carrie Ewell, Beaufort, Agnes Webb, K. Webb, Kinston, N. C., Eloise Bacon Chase City, Va., Kathleen Herbert, Leone Herbert, Mildred Wallace, Winona Nelson, Sodie Nelson, Bertha Morton, Amie Klein, Lucile Arthur, Morehead City, N. C.; Messrs. C. T. Bell, Richard N. Aycock, J. T. Willis, G. L. Arthur, Jr., Theodore Webb, John D. Webb, Neal O. Wade, Dr. W. K. Barham, Dr. Ben F. Royal, Morehead City, Eugene McDonald, L. P. Kilgore, Raleigh, N. C., Norwood Michie, Durham, N. C., Chas. Bell, Kinston, N. C., Chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gorham.

After sailing up and down the sound the party went to the beach for a stroll by the sea. Then a sail homeward, when good nights were exchanged and the enjoyable trip became a pleasant memory.

Ever the blind world  
Knows not its angels of deliverance  
Till they stand glorified 'twixt earth  
and heaven.  
It stones the martyr; then, with praying  
hands,  
Sees the God mount His chariot of  
fire,  
And calls sweet names, and worships  
what it spurned.

—Gerald Massey.

### MOTHER MURDERED WHILE ASLEEP IN HER HOME.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 9.—After preparing lunch for her four daughters and seeing them safely off to work and school, Mrs. Antoinette Foster, aged 37 years, today laid down for a brief rest in her little home in the northern section of this city. A few hours later she was brutally murdered. The police are searching for her husband, a huckster, whose fondness for drink, it is said, had caused many bitter quarrels between him and the dead woman.

The woman's body, her head crushed, supposedly with the leg of a table which was found covered with blood in another part of the house, was discovered by her daughter, Mary, aged 14 years, when she and her three sisters came from school.

### EIGHT NEGROES KILLED.

Hammon, La., June 9.—Eight negroes were killed at La Branch last night when they attacked Foreman Boutwell, of an Illinois Central bridge force, and conductor Green Story, of a work train, according to reports reaching here today.

The negroes, employed as section hands, conspired to kill Boutwell. When an attack was made on him the foreman shot three of the negroes dead. Conductor Story then came up and he and Boutwell killed five more of the conspirators.

### Bad Outlook for Irish Potato Crop.

Elizabeth City, N. C., June 9.—The outlook for the Irish potato crop in Pasquotank County is not very promising.

A prominent local commission merchant stated this morning that the crop was practically a failure. A small acreage was planted, and this got caught in the drought and the yield cut off in a manner that has never occurred in this section before.

Scarcely fifteen hundred barrels have been shipped from this county this week. Tomorrow and onday will be big digging days, and a large part of the crop will be dug and shipped. Next week, Tomorrow and Monday will be potatoes, and practically the entire crop will be harvested in the weather is good.

Do not use wooden drinking fountains for poultry. Wood is a germ breeder.

Seed potatoes in the cellar may look all right on top and be badly sprouted in the bottom of barrels and bins; better investigate.